

# **CSM Michael Thomas Hall**

## **Command Sergeant Major, Retired**

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Command Sergeant Major (CSM), Retired, Michael T. Hall was born and raised near Cleveland, Ohio and entered the U.S. Army in August of 1976. After attending Basic Training, Advanced Infantry Training, and Airborne School, he was assigned to Company A, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, (Ranger) 75<sup>th</sup> Infantry, Fort Stewart, Georgia. He served in a variety of positions to include mortar and 90mm recoilless rifle sections, and served as a Weapons Platoon Sergeant and Intelligence NCO.

In 1983, CSM ® Hall was assigned to the Citadel as a ROTC Military Science III Instructor and advisor to the Cordell Airborne Ranger Company. In 1985, he was re-assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment where he served as a Rifle Platoon Sergeant, First Sergeant, and Liaison Officer. In 1995, he was assigned to the 3d Battalion, 187<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne (Air Assault) Division as the Command Sergeant Major. In June 1996, he was assigned to the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment as the Regimental Command Sergeant Major. In May 2000 he was assigned as Command Sergeant Major of the Joint Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. In November 2001 he was assigned as the Command Sergeant Major of the United States Army Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.



CSM Hall Retired on 31 July 2008 after 32 years on Active Duty with the US Army. He was retired by the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment.

CSM ® Hall was employed by Lockheed Martin Corporation working in Simulation, Training and Support as a Subject Matter Expert on Irregular Warfare and Special Operations providing expertise in the development of Live, Virtual, and Constructive simulations/simulators.

CSM Hall ® was recalled from retirement on 4 August 2009 to assume the duty position of Command Sergeant Major for the International Security Assistance Force, North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Afghanistan/United States Forces Afghanistan and served in that position until 1 September 2010. He returned to the United States and retired again from active duty on 15 October 2010.

CSM ® Hall returned to Lockheed Martin, Global Training and Logistics, as a Business Development Manager for Irregular Warfare and Stability Operations.

CSM ® Hall joined the McChrystal Group in January 2011.

CSM ® Hall has been involved with operational deployments; Multi-National Force Observer Mission-Sinai, Operation Just Cause, Operation Uphold Democracy, Desert Storm, Phase III, Operation Joint Endeavor, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom.

His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal with OLC, Legion of Merit with OLC, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with 2-OLC, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with 4-OLC, Army Achievement Medal with 3-OLC, Good Conduct Medal-10<sup>th</sup> Award, National Defense Service Medal second award, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with Arrowhead and Star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary

Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon with numeral 4, Multinational Force and Observers Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Kuwaiti Liberation Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal w/Campaign Star, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Afghanistan Service Medal-ISAF, the Army Superior Unit Award, and the Joint Meritorious Unit Award 1-OLC. He has earned the Expert Infantryman's Badge and Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Combat Action Badge. He has also earned the Jordanian, Dutch, German Netherlands and British Jump Wings. He is a Master Parachutist with Combat Star. He is Ranger, Pathfinder, Military FreeFall, and Air Assault qualified. He is a graduate of the Sergeants Major Academy. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Political Science from New York State Regents University. He was awarded the COL Aaron Bank Award from Association of Special Operations Professionals for contributing most to the advancement of the objectives and philosophy of the Special Operations Forces in 2009.

CSM ® Hall is a member of Colt Defense LLC Board of Advisors and the Board of Directors for Gallant Few, Inc

CSM ® Hall's resides in Columbia, TN. He is married to the former Brenda S. Webb of Sheffield Lake, Ohio. They have one son, Jeffrey, who currently works for the Veterans Administration in Murfreesboro, TN.